

Portman, King, Sanders, Stabenow, Heinrich, Hirono, and Duckworth.

Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining: Senators Lee (Chair), Barrasso, Risch, Flake, Daines, Gardner, Alexander, Hoeven, Cassidy, Capito, Wyden, Stabenow, Manchin, Heinrich, Hirono, Cortez Masto, and Smith.

Subcommittee on Water and Power: Senators Flake (Chair), Barrasso, Risch, Lee, Cassidy, Portman, Capito, Cortez Masto, Wyden, Sanders, Manchin, Duckworth, and Smith.

Senators Murkowski and Cantwell are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

EPA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine testimony from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, after receiving testimony from Scott Pruitt, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE U.S., CANADA, AND MEXICO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic relationship between the United States, Canada, and Mexico, after receiving testimony from Brian Mulroney, former Prime Minister of Canada, Montreal, Quebec; Earl Anthony Wayne, Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, D.C.; and Jaime Serra, former Secretary of Commerce and Industry of Mexico, Mexico City.

HIGHER EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on accountability and risk to taxpayers, after receiving testimony from Anthony P. Carnevale, Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy Center on Education and Workforce, Ben Miller, Center for American Progress, Jason D. Delisle, American Enterprise Institute, and Mamie Voight, Institute for Higher Education Policy, all of Washington, D.C.; and Jose Luis Cruz, City University of New York Lehman College, New York, New York.

SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH PLANS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security concluded a hearing to examine small business health plans, after receiving testimony from Brad E. Johnson, Covenant Insurance Group, Inc., Casper, Wyoming; Mike Sturm, Milliman, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Christopher E. Condeluci, CC Law and Policy PLLC, Washington, D.C.; Jen Kimmich, The Alchemist, Stowe, Vermont; and Tess Kuenning, Bi-State Primary Care Association, Montpelier, Vermont.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4896–4911; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 719–720 were introduced. **Pages H731–32**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H733**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3299, to amend the Revised Statutes, the Home Owners' Loan Act, the Federal Credit Union Act, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require the rate of interest on certain loans remain unchanged after transfer of the loan, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–538); and

H.R. 620, to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to promote compliance through education, to clarify the requirements for demand

letters, to provide for a notice and cure period before the commencement of a private civil action, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–539). **Page H731**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H683**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H687**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 719, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives. **Page H690**

Child Protection Improvements Act: The House agreed to the motion to concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 695, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a national criminal history background check system and criminal

history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–56, by a yea-and-nay vote of 250 yeas to 166 nays, Roll No. 49. **Pages H698–H725**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a voluntary national criminal history background check system and criminal history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes.”. **Page H725**

H. Res. 714, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 695) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 236 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 48, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 47. **Pages H690–98**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, January 29th.

Financial Institution Living Will Improvement Act: H.R. 4292, amended, to reform the living will process under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 50. **Page H725**

Investigative Subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 115th Congress in light of the elections of Representatives Mimi Walters (CA) and Ratcliffe to the Committee on Ethics: Representatives Herrera Beutler and Thomas J. Rooney (FL). **Page H725**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 2nd and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourns to meet at 12 noon on Monday, February 5th for Morning Hour debate. **Page H725**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:24 p.m. and reconvened at 8:33 p.m. **Page H726**

State of the Union Address: President Donald Trump delivered his State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 101. Hed was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives McCarthy, Scalise, McMorris Rodgers, Stivers, Messer, Collins (GA), Smith (MO),

Pelosi, Hoyer, Clyburn, Crowley, Sanchez, Bustos, and Yarmuth, and Senators McConnell, Cornyn, Hatch, Thune, Barrasso, Blunt, Gardner, Schumer, Murray, Stabenow, Klobuchar, Manchin, and Baldwin. The President’s message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–86). **Pages H726–31**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H731.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H697–698, H698, H724 and H725. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

READYING THE U.S. MILITARY FOR FUTURE WARFARE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Readying the U.S. Military for Future Warfare”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CBO OVERSIGHT: ORGANIZATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “CBO Oversight: Organizational and Operational Structure”. Testimony was heard from Keith Hall, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

PROTECTING PRIVACY, PROMOTING POLICY: EVIDENCE-BASED POLICYMAKING AND THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Protecting Privacy, Promoting Policy: Evidence-Based Policymaking and the Future of Education”. Testimony was heard from Carey M. Wright, State Superintendent of Education for Mississippi; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPOUNDING QUALITY ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining Implementation of the Compounding Quality Act”. Testimony was heard from Scott Gottlieb, M.D., Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.